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SUBJECT: Ex Parte Communications Guidance

BOARD ACTION: *Information Report – No Board Action*

BACKGROUND: An ex parte communication is any contact between a Board member and a person who has an interest in a matter pending before the Board which takes place in the absence of other interested persons and without their knowledge.

Regional Board legal counsel will discuss recent guidance from the State Water Board Chief Counsel on ex parte communication guidelines for Regional Board members.

Attached are memos from the State Water Resources Control Board Office of the Chief Counsel dealing with ex parte communications.

Mgmt. Review _____

Legal Review _____

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